



The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act:

Effective Education for Homeless Children and Youth in Vermont February 6, 2009 Update

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1. New Powerpoint Training Tool for Liaisons to Use With School Faculty, Administrators and Staff

The identification and enrollment of homeless students in your schools requires that faculty, administrators and school staff identify and refer students to you so that homeless status and school enrollment options can be determined. A new powerpoint presentation has been developed and is now available for you to use in training your school staff.

This PowerPoint is designed for folks who are not functioning as the homeless education liaison...but who need to have a working knowledge of the legal requirements regarding services to homeless student, the responsibilities of the homeless education liaison, and introduction to homelessness and homeless students. This presentation can be used at staff meetings, inservice programs and staff orientation sessions.

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Please take a look at the new McKinney Vento Homeless Education Act: Liaison Training Tool for Administrators, Faculty and Staff at:

http://education.vermont.gov/new/pdfdoc/pgm_homeless/toolbox/admin_comm_unity_0109.ppt

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2. Homeless Education Liaison Self Assessment Survey Monkey

This survey has been developed both as a self assessment and a monitoring tool as well as a way to provide feedback to the Vermont Department of Education to improve services to Homeless Education Liaisons. We value your feedback...

The Vermont Department of Education must receive your survey results no later than February 27th. Please take a few minutes and click into the survey monkey at this link: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=uUvlBCi3CMOYQTt8nN68PQ_3d_3d

If you have received this message, you are serving as the Homeless Education Liaison for your supervisory union or school district as designated in the Consolidated Federal Program application submitted to the Vermont Department of Education. If you are not serving in this capacity, please contact Ms. Lisa Champney, Vermont Department of Education, at lisa.champney@state.vt.us or (802)828-6574.

A current list of Vermont Homeless Education Liaisons can be found on the Education for Homeless Children and Youth website:

http://education.vermont.gov/new/pdfdoc/pgm_homeless/contact_list_091708.pdf

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